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June 30, 2017

Saint Paul City Council 15 Kellogg Blvd. West 310 City Hall Saint Paul, MN 55012

Dear City Council Members,

The Summit University Planning Council has voted to provide the following recommendation in regards to the proposed Short Term Rental ordinance and zoning amendments:

The Summit University Planning Council (SUPC) is not opposed to all changes regarding Short Term Rentals, but strongly feels the proposed language needs to be improved before being adopted by the City of Saint Paul.

SUPC does not support the proposed ordinance and zoning code amendments and recommends that it is not adopted. SUPC recommends that the City of Saint Paul review the State of MN's current lodging license laws, and explain how this ordinance differs and make it clear why the proposed language is needed. SUPC requests that the zoning code and proposed ordinance be more clearly defined.

Specifically:

- SUPC believes that the proposed zoning amendments are not clearly defined, too open to interpretation, and do not set measurable regulatory standards.
- Not enforceable: It would be unclear if this ordinance is broken, and difficult to make a complaint.

This recommendation was the result of a community forum and research performed by SUPC Board Members. Please contact us with any further questions.

Thank you,

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